

**CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES
MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2004**

At 5:08 p.m. Chairman Lee Panza called the meeting to order in the Fourth Floor Dining Room at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

Members Attending: Chairman Lee Panza, Joe Silva, Marland Townsend, Mike King, Irene O'Connell, and Marc Hershman.

Staff/ Guests Attending: Julie Lancelle (C/CAG Alternate Member – Pacifica), Richard Napier (C/CAG Executive Director), Ross Nakasone (San Mateo County Mangers Office), and Sean Fang (Assembly Member Yee's Office).

1. Public comment on items not on the agenda.

None

2. Minutes of the Meeting of February 4, 2004.

Motion to approve the minutes. King/ Townsend, unanimous.

3. Update from C/CAG's Lobbyist in Sacramento (via conference call).

Established a conference call with Wes Lujan of Advocation.

A general overview of the March election was provided and what it means to the leadership at the State level. Clearly Governor Schwarzenegger feels empowered by his ability to sell Propositions 57 and 58. He intends to methodically pursue his agenda. Legislation will probably not move until late May or early June.

AB1546 - Therefore, AB 1546 will probably not move much until that time. It currently is has a rule waiver 28.8 that will allow it to go directly to the floor without a Senate Appropriations Committee vote. Advocation will have a series of meetings toward the end of the month that will determine whether or not AB 1546 can move sooner.

ACA 10 - Assembly Member Harmon has stated the legislation will move after the March elections. He appreciates C/CAG's support at the hearings.

Mandate Relief - There is no desire to change the Brown Act or Animal Shelter mandates on the part of the State. The Animal Shelter Mandate is currently suspended. There is some interest in mandate relief although how serious is not clear. Although some bills are dead others may go forward.

SB 744 - This Bill is currently in negotiations with the advocates, local government, and the Administration. C/CAG further expressed its opposition to this Bill.

AB 3011 - This is an exact copy of the C/CAG bill AB 1546. Advocates doesn't feel that it should impact AB 1546 since AB 1546 is much further along in the process.

Concluded the conference call with Wes Lujan of Advocates.

AB 269 - Ross Nakasone of the San Mateo County Manager's Office provide a status report on AB 269. It is currently waiting for Policy Committee assignment in the Senate. The Bill is currently limited to only SamTrans owned property in the rail right of way and does not include housing credit for participating agencies. The opposition is concerned about duplicate credit for the housing. He feels that there is the possibility of movement on the part the opposition. The Committee stressed the need to include non-duplicative housing credit and to expand the area to within one third of a mile of the rail right of way. It was requested that AB 269 be placed on the April Legislative Committee Agenda for action.

AB 392 - This may be beneficial to the City of East Palo Alto. Would like this placed on the April Legislative Committee Agenda.

4. Update on meetings with San Mateo County Legislative Delegation.

Met with Assembly Member Yee and Senator Speier over the past month. Assembly Member Yee is now the Speaker Pro Tem in the Assembly. Lee Panza briefed the Committee on the meetings. Had a reasonable meeting with Senator Speier even though she is opposed to the C/CAG sponsored bill (AB 1546). Both members will help on ACA 10.

The Committee requested a copy of the final Legislator Score card.

5. Establish date and time for next meeting (April 8, 2004).

The next meeting was set for April 8, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. at the Fourth Floor Dining Room at the San Mateo County Transit District Office.

6. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.